

Remarks/Arguments

A. Status of the Claims

Claims 39, 41, 52-54, 56, 58-61, and 82 are revised, and claim 40 is canceled. Support for the revised claims can be found throughout the specification and claims as originally filed. As discussed below, the revisions simply incorporate the subject matter that has been allowed in this case.

Claims 39 and 41-82 are pending.

B. Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 76-81 are indicated as being allowable. *See* page 9 of the Office Action. Claims 40-46, 52-61, and 82 are objected to “as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. *Id.*

Independent claim 39 is revised to incorporate the subject matter of allowed dependent claim 40. Claim 40 is canceled. Therefore, all of the current rejections to claim 39 are rendered moot. Applicant respectfully requests that current claim 39 along with all corresponding dependent claims be allowed to proceed to issuance.

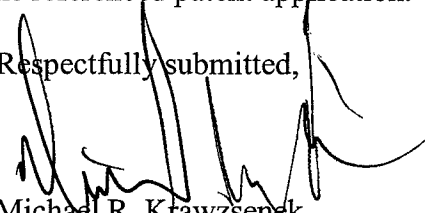
Objected claims 52-54, 56, and 58-61 are revised into independent form to include all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims. Therefore, Applicant requests that current claims 52-54, 56, and 58-61 along with all corresponding dependent claims be allowed to proceed to issuance.

Objected claim 82 is revised to incorporate the subject matter of claim 39 to remove the objection of this claim. *See* page 9 of the Office Action. Therefore, Applicant requests that claim 82 be allowed to proceed to issuance.

C. Conclusion

Applicant believes that this case is in condition for allowance and such favorable action is requested. The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned Attorney at (512) 536-3020 with any questions, comments or suggestions relating to the referenced patent application.

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